

REMARKS

The following remarks and attached are submitted in response to the Communication and Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated December 13, 2004 with regard to the instant Application. In the Communication, it is asserted that the amendment document mailed by Applicants November 24, 2004 is considered non-compliant because it failed to meet the requirements of 37 CFR 1.121. In particular, it is asserted that a complete listing of all claims is not present. Applicants submit herewith the corrected section of the non-compliant amendment, mailed by Applicants November 24, 2004, particularly the Claim Amendments section.

Status of the Claims

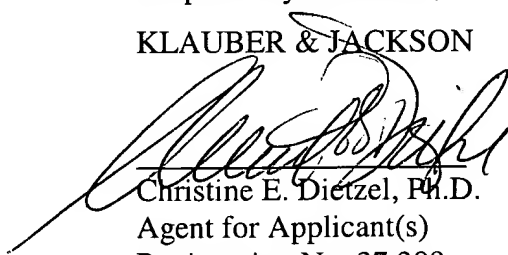
Claims 15-22, 28-59, 61-67 and 69-83 are pending in the application. Claims 15-22 and 28-58 are withdrawn from consideration.

CONCLUSION

Applicants respectfully request entry of the foregoing amendments and remarks in the file history of the instant Application. The Claims as amended are believed to be in condition for allowance, and reconsideration and withdrawal of all of the outstanding rejections is therefore believed in order. Early and favorable action on the claims is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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